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SUBJ: PROPOSED GVN NOTE CALLING FOR CEASE-FIRE AND RESUMPTION OF  
NEGOTIATIONS

1. LE QUAN GIANG, GVN DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER, THIS EVENING GAVE US  
THE DRAFT NOTE TO THE PARTICIPANTS IN THE PARIS CONFERENCE  
TEXT OF WHICH IS BELOW. GIANG ASKS THAT DRAFT BE PASSED FOR COMMENT  
IMMEDIATELY TO GVN EMBASSY FOR ATTENTION OF FOREIGN MINISTER BAC.  
GIANG SOLICITS BAC'S COMMENTS WHICH MUST BE RECEIVED BY OPENING  
OF BUSINESS WEDNESDAY APRIL 23 SAIGON TIME AS DRAFT WILL BE  
PASSED FOR APPROVAL TO PRIME MINISTER AND PRESIDENT AT 1000 HOURS.

2. GVN PLANS MAKE NOTE PUBLIC AS SOON AS DISPATCHED LATER APRIL 23.  
ASSUMING FINAL NOTE WILL BE SUBSTANTIALLY SAME AS TEXT GIVEN BELOW,  
WE SUGGEST DEPARTMENT BE PREPARED ISSUE PUBLIC STATEMENT  
RESPONDING TO AND STRONGLY SUPPORTING GVN NOTE  
AS SOON AS NOTIFICATION FROM US RECEIVED THAT NOTE RELEASED.

3. BEGIN TEXT ON 21 APRIL 1975, HIS EXCELLENCY MR. NGUYEN-VAN-  
THIEU FORMALLY TENDERED HIS RESIGNATION, AND PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 55  
OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM OF 1 APRIL 1967,  
HIS EXCELLENCY MR. TRAN-VAN-HUONG, VICE-PRESIDENT, TOOK OVER AS  
PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM.

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM UNDER THE LEADERSHIP  
OF HIS EXCELLENCY MR. TRAN-VAN-HUONG, PRESIDENT, AND HIS  
EXCELLENCY MR NGUYEN-BA-CAN, PRIME MINISTER, SOLEMNLY REAFFIRMED  
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ITS WHOLEHEARTED COMMITMENT TO THE STRICT RESPECT AND FULL

IMPLEMENTATION OF THE AGREEMENT ON ENDING THE WAR AND RESTORING  
PEACE SIGNED IN PARIS ON 27 JANUARY 1973.

IN VIEW OF THE AGGRAVATION OF THE SITUATION OF VIET-NAM WITHIN THE  
LAST TWO MONTHS, WHICH HAS CAUSED IMMENSE HUMAN SUFFERING TO THE  
CIVILIAN POPULATION IN SOUTH VIET-NAM, THE GOVERNMENT OF THE  
REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM PARTICULARLY WISHES TO RENEW ITS OFFER TO  
REOPEN IMMEDIATELY, AND WITHOUT POSING ANY PRECONDITIONS,  
THE NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE OTHER SIDE IN ORDER TO REACH A PEACEFUL  
SOLUTION OF THE EXISTING CONFLICT. IT STANDS READY TO RESUME  
THE NEGOTIATIONS ON ALL ISSUES WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE PARIS  
AGREEMENT OF 27 JANUARY 1973, INCLUDING THE CONSTITUTION OF A  
NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR RECONCILIATION AND CONCORD.

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM ALSO CONSIDERS THAT  
AS A FIRST STEP THERE SHOULD BE AN IMMEDIATE CEASE-FIRE TO PUT AN  
END TO THE INHUMANE PLIGHT OF MILLIONS OF INNOCENT SOUTH VIETNAMESE  
PEOPLE.

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM THEREFORE MAKES AN  
EARNEST APPEAL TO ALL PARTIES TO THE ACT OF THE INTERNATIONAL  
CONFERENCE ON VIETNAM TO TAKE ALL NECESSARY MEASURES TO ENSURE AN  
IMMEDIATE SUSPENSION OF THE HOSTILITIES AND TO HELP IN BRINGING ABOUT  
AN EXPEDITIOUS RESUMPTION OF THE NEGOTIATIONS BOTH AT LA CELLE  
SAINT-CLOUD (FRANCE) AND AT TAN-SON-NHUT (SAIGON), AS STIPULATED  
BY THE PARIS AGREEMENT.

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